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"I FLEW
IN THE
BERLIN
AIR-LIFT!"

"THE
MISSION
THAT
HAD TO
FAIL!"

"I WAS A
RECRUIT
UNDER
FIRE!"

"I
FACED
THE
ENEMY!"

THE WORLD'S GREATEST MOLDER OF HANDSOME HE-MEN and CHAMPS out of WEAKLINGS says "SKINNY OR FAT, I'LL BUILD YOU INTO A NEW ATHLETIC STREAMLINED MIGHTY-MUSCLED HE-MAN

as I have for 35 years re-built MILLIONS like you!"

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George F. Jowett

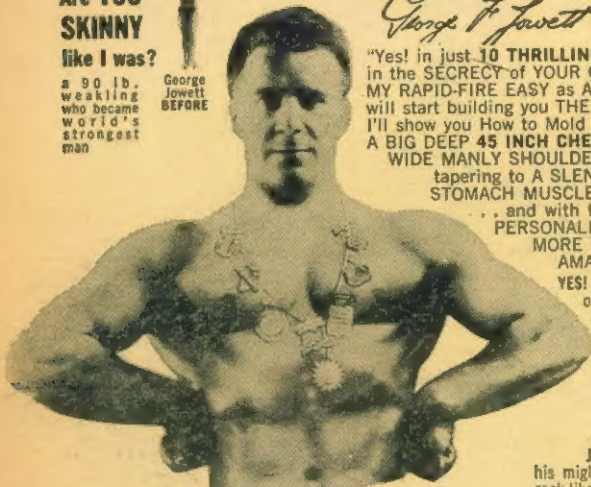
Famous Physical Directors like J. F. Kelly and Larry Campbell said
"George F. Jowett is by far THE WORLD'S GREATEST MOLDER of
HANDSOME HE-MEN and CHAMPS out of weaklings."

Are YOU
SKINNY
like I was?

a 90 lb.
weakling
who became
world's
strongest
man



George
Jowett
BEFORE



THIS is an ACTUAL PHOTO
of YOUR TRAINER, George F. Jowett,
taken after a record-breaking event, wearing
some of his WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP MEDALS and
MEDALS honoring him as "WORLD'S BEST BODY
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WIDE MANLY SHOULDERS — A BROAD BRAWNY BACK
tapering to A SLENDER WAIST with punch-proof
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PERSONALITY that WINS YOU NEW FRIENDS,
MORE MONEY, NEW SUCCESS,
AMAZING NEW PLEASURES.

YES! Your Success Story can soon be like that
of John Sill and thousands of my pupils.
Think of it — a skinny weakling be-
came a MAGNIFICENT MR. MUSCLES
— won a BIG SILVER TROPHY, his
name, accomplishments engraved on
it, and \$100. All of which you can
win! A few weeks before, everybody
picked on John, too weak to fight for
his rights. TODAY everybody admires
John's movie star build, he-man STRENGTH,
his mighty ARMS, heroic CHEST, slender WAIST,
rock-like TORSO, broad manly BACK, wide military
SHOULDERS, new popularity. His winning drive in
ALL SPORTS, his energy at work and studies.

NO! I don't care how skinny or flabby you are now,
if you're in your teens, twenties, or thirties, I'll
show you in just 10 thrilling minutes in your
home, how you can make yourself over by the
easy, quick method I turned myself from wreck
to WORLD CHAMPION.



John
Sill
BEFORE

STOP once for all BEING
A WISH-WASHY
SKINNY WEAKLING
like this 120 lb.
pupil was!
"I
GAINED
60 LBS.
of
MIGHTY
MUSCLES!
I added
3½ INCHES
to each ARM,
I added
4 inches
to my CHEST
... and to the
rest of my
body in
BALANCED
PROPORTION.
I won
\$100.
I won this 15 INCH TALL SILVER
TROPHY.
I won a GOLD MEDAL, John Sill

YES! YOU'LL ADD INCHES of MIGHTY
MUSCLES to YOUR ARMS, DEEPEN YOUR
CHEST, BROADEN YOUR BACK and
SHOULDERS. From HEAD to HEELS you'll
gain SIZE, POWER, LIGHTNING SPEED,
ENDURANCE. You'll become a SUCCESS-
FUL HE-MAN in LOOKS and ACTS — a
WINNER in EVERYTHING, athletics, busi-
ness, studies.

"Rush me YOUR LAST CHANCE COUPON below. CHECK the BODY you want
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if you're SKINNY

HOW TO GAIN up to 50 LBS. of MIGHTY MUSCLES

If you're FAT, have ROLLS of UGLY GREASE all over you,
I'll CHANGE YOUR FLAB into HANDSOME MUSCLE fast.



"FATSO"
they
called
me.

"I
LOST
17 LBS.

of grease, and became a
MR. AMERICA,
A WINNER in
ALL SPORTS,
Popular,
Self-confident."
Ernest Raines
(signed also by
his father and mother)



"I'm
proud
of you
now,
Tony".
Tony Pascarella

"You wouldn't
give me
a tumble
before
I gained
28
JOWETT
lbs.

"I am just 41 years
of age. I lost pounds
of fat fast. I recom-
mend your wonder-
ful courses to all
regardless of age.
Soon they'll be as
proud as I am of my
new
body".
Paul
Lange.



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A BROAD
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Here's my once
skinny pupil
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lifting a 200 lb.
anvil with his
teeth.



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housing TIRELESS LUNGS
like chest of this pupil

Jim Norman
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LEGS of LEAPING POWER
that'll make YOU
A WINNER in SPORTS
as it did this pupil.

6. BOOKS of PHOTOS
of FAMOUS STRONG MEN
who came to me weaker
than you. I and they
show you how YOU can
BECOME ONE of THEM FAST.



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MINE WAS THE MISSION THAT *HAD* TO FAIL!

HA, SOON WE WILL FALL UPON THE AMERICANS AND CUT THEIR FORCES TO PIECES! IS IT NOT SO, EXCELLENCY?

IF HE ONLY KNEW THE TRUTH, HE'D SHOOT ME DOWN LIKE A DOG!

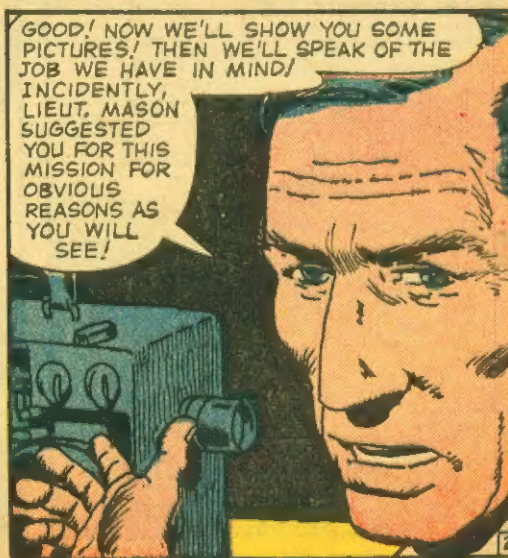
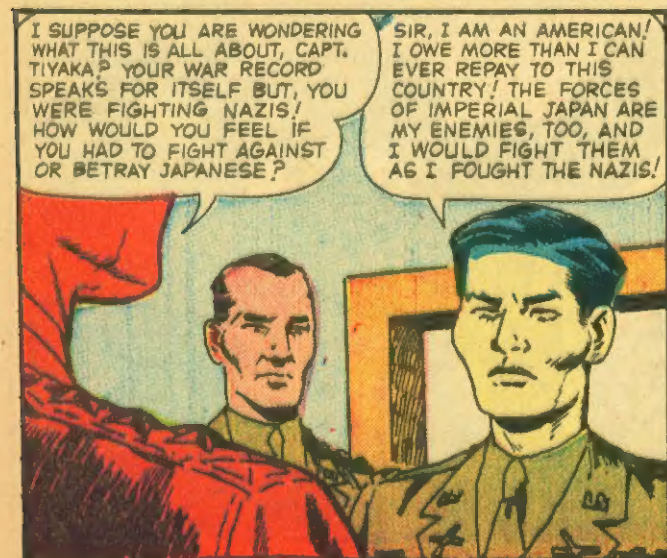
I LED THE JAP FORCES THROUGH THE NIGHT! OUR OBJECTIVE WAS TO AMBUSH AND WIPE OUT THE FIRST AMERICAN FORCES THAT HAD LANDED IN THE PACIFIC AND SO SMASH THE MORALE AND RESOLUTION OF THE RETURNING AMERICAN FIGHTING FORCES! BUT, WHAT THE JAPS DIDN'T KNOW WAS THAT I, WHO LED THEM, WAS REALLY A NISEI, AN AMERICAN JAPANESE AND LOYAL TO THE GOOD OLD U.S.A. ... !!

IT WENT THROUGH MY MIND AGAIN AS IT HAD SO OFTEN IN THESE LAST FEW DAYS... THE WAY IT HAD BEGUN...

PEARL HARBOR... THE SHAMBLES IT WAS! AND WE LOYAL JAPANESE LIVING IN HAWAII CURSING THE SNEAK ATTACK, ENLISTING INTO NISEI REGIMENTS... THE 100TH INFANTRY BATTALION AND THE 442ND REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM... MY OUTFIT!

WE FOUGHT IN ITALY AND FRANCE AGAINST THE NAZIS! WE BECAME FAMOUS FOR OUR FIGHTING PROWESS! WE FOUGHT FOR FREEDOM, DEMOCRACY AND THE THINGS OUR COUNTRY, AMERICA, HAD TAUGHT US! OUR "GO FOR BROKE" SLOGAN BECAME FAMOUS, TOO!





THE LIGHTS WENT OUT AND A PICTURE CAME ON THE SCREEN, A PICTURE OF A MAJOR IN THE JAPANESE ARMY, WALKING, GESTURING!

DO YOU SEE IT, LEE... THE RESEMBLANCE BETWEEN YOU AND THE MAJOR... IT'S UNCANNY! EVEN THE WAY YOU WALK, THE GESTURES! WITH YOUR HEAD SHAVED, SPECS AND A MUSTACHE YOU COULDN'T BE TOLD APART!



THE REEL CAME TO AN END, THE LIGHTS FLICKED ON!

THAT WAS MAJOR SIYOAMA! HE WAS BEING SENT TO LEAD AN IMPORTANT ATTACK! WE SHOT DOWN HIS PLANE AND CAPTURED HIM... WITH THE SECRET INSTRUCTIONS ON HIM!

WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM?



HE TRIED TO ESCAPE AND WAS SHOT! WE WANT YOU TO TAKE HIS PLACE! THIS ISN'T AN ORDER! YOU'LL HAVE TO VOLUNTEER

BECAUSE THE CHANCES ARE A MILLION TO ONE THAT YOU'LL EVER COME OUT OF THIS ALIVE! YOU'LL HAVE TIME TO THINK...

I HAVE THOUGHT IT OVER, SIR, I VOLUNTEER!



I WAS THOROUGHLY BRIEFED, FITTED FOR GLASSES AND MY HAIR CROPPED SHORT! I GREW A MUSTACHE AND THEN WAS READY!

WE'VE REPAIRED THE JAP PLANE AND THE PILOT IS ONE OF YOUR NISEI! YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN FROM NOW ON! YOU KNOW WHAT YOU MUST DO... IT'S VITAL TO VICTORY IN THE PACIFIC! GOOD LUCK, CAPTAIN!



IT HAD GONE SMOOTHLY! THEY HAD ACCEPTED MY EXPLANATION FOR MY DELAY WITHOUT QUESTION!

...AND AFTER THE PLANE WAS SHOT DOWN, MY PILOT MANAGED TO MAKE REPAIRS AND WE CONTINUED! NOW, EXCELLENCIES, TO MY ORDERS!



I HAVE BEEN PICKED BY THE IMPERIAL COMMAND TO LEAD THIS IMPORTANT MISSION! I AM TO COMMAND EVERY MAN UNDER YOU IN AN ASSAULT UPON THE AMERICAN BASE AND WIPE IT OUT...



YES, THAT WAS MY MISSION, TO SEE THAT THE MISSION I LED WOULD UTTERLY FAIL!

THE SCOUTS ARE COMING BACK, EXCELLENCY!



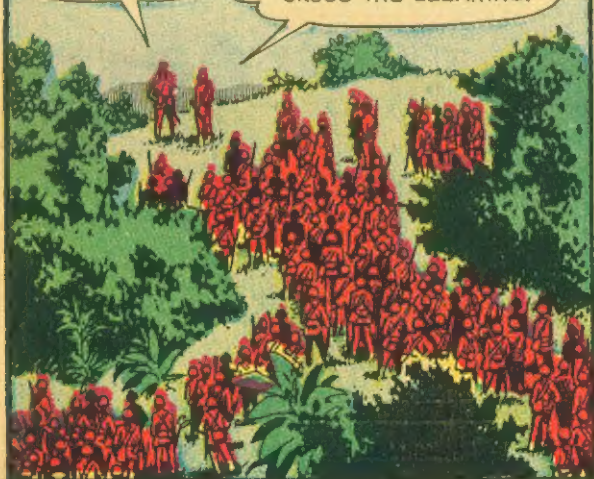
THERE IS A DEEP RAVINE LEADING CLOSE TO THE ENEMY CAMP, EXCELLENCY! NORTH THERE IS A CLEARED SPACE, DANGEROUS TO CROSS!

YOU ARE ONLY TO REPORT, SWINE, NOT GIVE OPINIONS!



WE WILL MOVE NORTH, IN CLOSE FORMATION!

BUT, EXCELLENCY, THAT WILL EXPOSE OUR TROOPS TO ENEMY FIRE WHEN THEY CROSS THE CLEARING!



COLD SWEAT RAN DOWN MY BACK! I SAW THE SUSPICION IN THEIR FACES! THIS WAS THE CRUCIAL MOMENT!

I AM IN COMMAND BY IMPERIAL ORDERS AND YOU WILL OBEY WITHOUT QUESTION! BUT I AM PROMPTED TO EXPLAIN! DO YOU THINK THE AMERICANS FOOLS THAT THEY WOULD NOT SEE THE DANGER OF THAT RAVINE AND NOT HAVE IT HEAVILY MINED AND GUARDED?



DOUBT FLASHED ACROSS THEIR FACES! I PUSHED MY ADVANTAGE!

WE MOVE NORTH! TIGHTEN FORMATION! FORWARD!

I WILL BE BEHIND YOU! WE WILL OBEY! BUT, SHOULD THIS MISSION FAIL, YOU WILL NOT LIVE LONG!



MY COUNTRY'S TROOPS WILL HAVE THE CLEARING COVERED AND I WILL LEAD THIS COMMAND INTO AN AMBUSH! I DO NOT EXPECT TO SURVIVE THE AMBUSH ANYWAY FOR TO THE YANK SOLDIERS I WILL BE A JAP OFFICER!



WE MOVED INTO THE CLEARING! THEN, SUDDENLY THE WORLD SEEMED TO FLAME AS THE HIDDEN TROOPS OPENED UP!



I WARNED YOU...

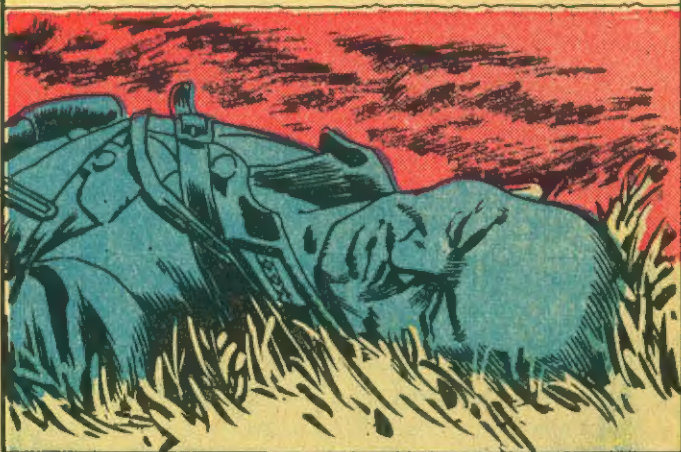


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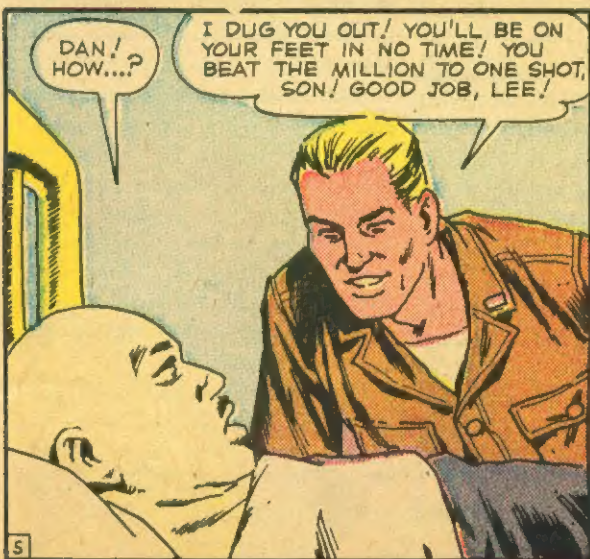


A SHELL BURST NEAR, SUCKING THE BREATH FROM MY LUNGS, AND I LOST CONSCIOUSNESS!



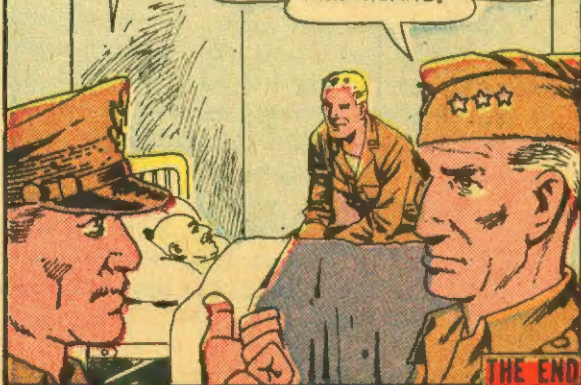
DAN!
HOW...?

I DUG YOU OUT! YOU'LL BE ON YOUR FEET IN NO TIME! YOU BEAT THE MILLION TO ONE SHOT, SON! GOOD JOB, LEE!



MUST HAVE BEEN TRICKY, TRUSTING HIM TO BETRAY HIS OWN PEOPLE!

THEY WEREN'T HIS PEOPLE! HE'S AN AMERICAN! I NEVER THINK OF OUR PEOPLE AS JAPS OR GERMANS, POLISH OR CHINESE OR ANY OTHER RACE! I THINK OF THEM ONLY AS UP-STANDING, FREEDOM LOVING AMERICANS!



CLOAK AND SWAGGER

COLONEL Bill Horbaugh, whose forces had occupied the mountain town of Heiligbrenstein, in southern Germany only two days before, brought his fist down on his desk. The desk was only his temporarily, having originally belonged to the burgomaster of Heiligbrenstein who was now in full flight to the east with the rest of the Nazi forces defending the town. It sat, along with the Colonel in the town hall, now, and also temporarily American general headquarters for that section of the front.

"I won't have it!" The Colonel exploded. "Every idea you've brought me to smoke out those Nazis hiding in Castle Heiligbrenstein is as full of holes as a sieve." He snorted. "Gliding in with an armed Piper Cub! Hmph!"

Keys Chadwick, cloak-and-dagger officer attached to the outfit, smiled.

"Better try it with a Cub, before the Wehrmacht command tries it with a *Storch* plane. You know we've got to get up in there, Bill!"

Colonel Horbaugh was well aware of the importance of getting into the castle and capturing the highly placed Nazi officials who were snugly hidden in the formidable structure. With the capture of these men, the morale of the enemy would suffer a severe blow, and it would serve as a signal for the beginning of the end for the Germans. But for two days,

neither the Colonel nor the O.S.S. man could agree on the best way to attack the stronghold. The use of an armed Piper Cub was impractical, in the Colonel's opinion.

For a moment, the Colonel had thought of summoning the air force to drop bombs on the castle perched high on the hill, but seconds later he had dropped that idea too. First of all, the bombs would destroy part of the town nestled beneath the castle, and there was no need for that. Also, the bombs might finish off those Nazis whom the Colonel wanted to capture alive, so that they could stand trial for their war crimes. So an air attack was ruled out.

The castle rested on top of a steep hill, and no amount of armed foot soldiers could make the ascent without being exposed to defensive fire from the castle.

"The element of time is of great importance," Chadwick said. "You must realize that if we don't get to those officials first, some nervous Nazi leader might, and then we might never get them into custody. And you know, Colonel, that it's my specific mission here to capture those officials who are holed up in that castle, for that very reason."

The Colonel stared up through a window at the castle, nervously chewing his mustache. He knew that fact as well as Keys. In the quick American advance, several high Nazis, among them the notorious Grinnler,

had been trapped in the castle, owned by the old count of Heiligbrenstein. Grinnler knew many Nazi secrets which might better, the Wehrmacht felt, be kept from the agenda of any forthcoming war criminal trials.

"No, no, I won't let any man risk his life getting into a place like that," Horbaugh said. "It's absolutely invulnerable from beneath . . . the castle perches right on the mountain crag. Probably built like Hitler's place at Berchtesgaden, reachable only by a hidden elevator or stairway."

"Which we haven't found, and which nobody will tell us about," Keys said bitterly, and rose. He glanced guardedly at the Colonel. "Well, if you won't let me glide in, in a Cub, I'll just lay low and see what I can pick up about . . ."

"Yes you will!" Horbaugh said sarcastically. "You're foolhardy, Keys. You're as transparent as glass. I can see right through you." Horbaugh grinned ruefully. "Don't take chances."

"What else is being in cloak-and-dagger for?" Keys asked, and left. Outside, he picked up his assistant Joe Keller and left headquarters. Both men were careful not to let any Germans see them as they left. They were dressed as refugees from battles further west and both spoke German like natives.

"Did he okay the Cub?" Joe asked, as they walked down to the market place. Keys shook

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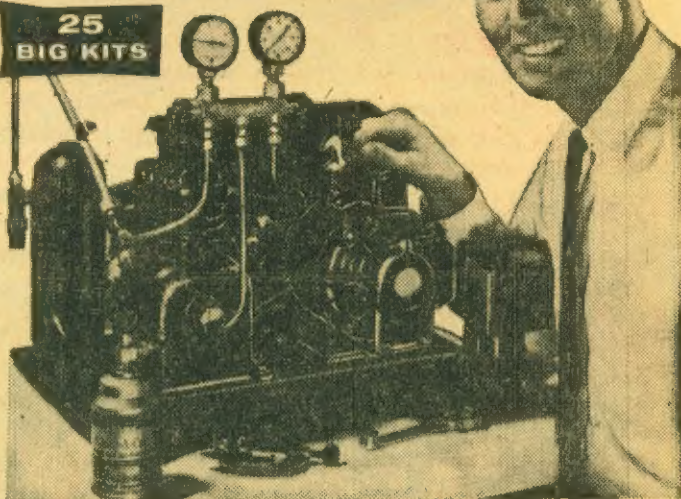


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I WAS THE MAN OVERBOARD!



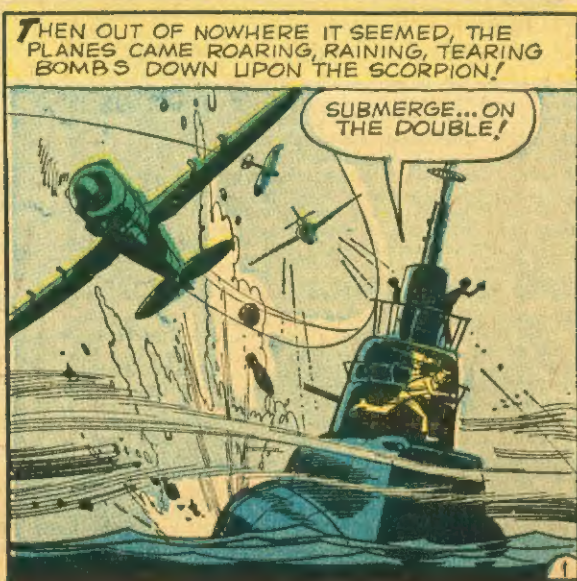
ON NOVEMBER 20, 1944, THE U.S. SUBMARINE SCORPION, OF WHICH I, LEONARD NASH WAS SKIPPER, FOUND AND SUNK A JAP BATTLESHIP NEAR KII SUIDOS. WE WERE CLOSE TO THE LANDLOCKED SEA OF JAPAN. I HAD A GOOD CREW AND A FINE SHIP AND THEY WERE IN MY CARE, AN INVALUABLE FIGHTING ARM OF OUR COUNTRY'S NAVY. THEY MUST BE PRESERVED, MEN AND VESSEL, AT ANY COST... AT ANY COST...

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WE GOT HER!
YOWWEE!

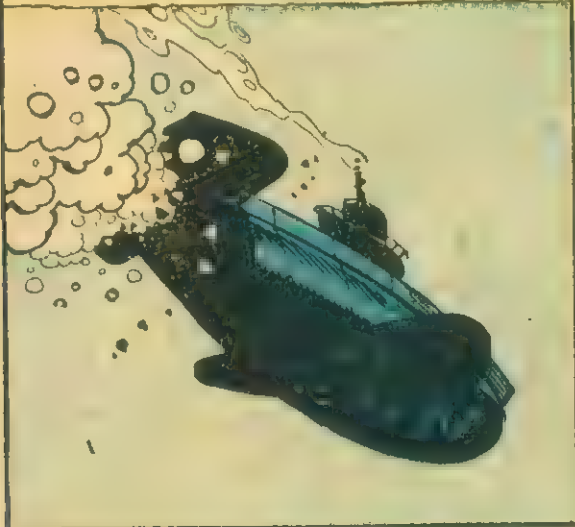
HOW'D YOU LIKE
THAT, TOJO?



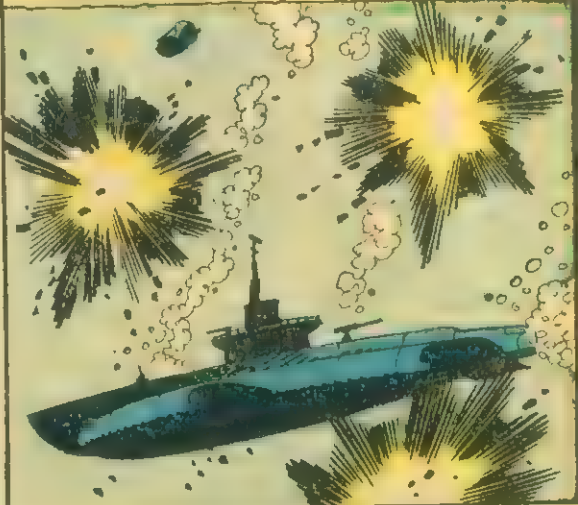
THEN OUT OF NOWHERE IT SEEMED, THE PLANES CAME ROARING, RAINING, TEARING BOMBS DOWN UPON THE SCORPION!

SUBMERGE...ON
THE DOUBLE!

AS WE SUBMERGED WE HEARD DESTROYERS PROWL-
ING ABOVE...



AND THEN THE TIN CANS BEGAN TO DESCEND, ROCKING
US, TOSsing US ABOUT LIKE A CORK IN A BARREL! OUR
PLATES BUCKLED AND WE WERE TAKING WATER!



SKIPPER, NUMBER TWO
HOLD IS FLOODED! I
CUT IT OFF!

GOOD! GET ME A
LIST OF ALL DAMAGE
AND CASUALTIES!



AND, MR. BELTRAM, SEND
UP SOME CORK AND OIL!
PERHAPS WE CAN MAKE
THEM THINK THEY'VE
FINISHED US!

YES, SIR!



THE DAMAGE WAS BAD! WE LAY AT THE BOTTOM
LIKE A GIANT DEAD FISH WAITING... THE HARDEST
THING A SUBMARINER CAN DO... WAITING!

THEY'RE SLACKENING
OFF, I THINK!

AIR'S GETTIN'
BAD!



I CALLED THE OFFICERS TOGETHER AND WE HELD
A COUNCIL OF WAR!

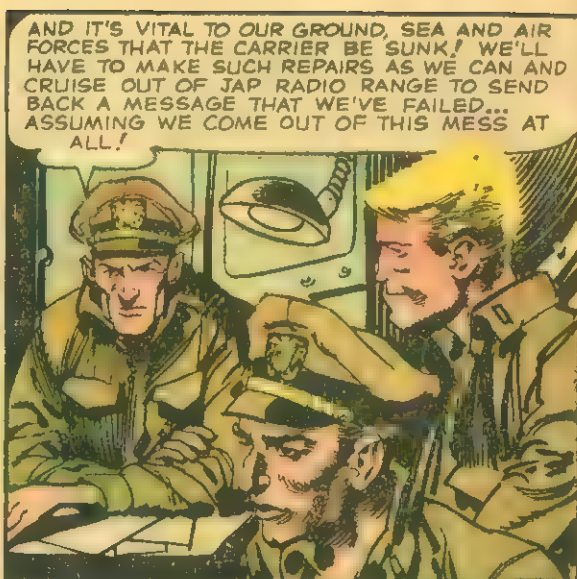
WE CAN'T STAY SUBMERGED
LONG, SIR! IF WE DO WE'LL
NEVER RISE TO THE SURFACE
AGAIN! WE'RE IN BAD
SHAPE!

IT'LL BE DARK SOON!
LET'S HOPE THEY
LEAVE BY THEN AND
WE CAN GO TOPSIDE
FOR REPAIRS!

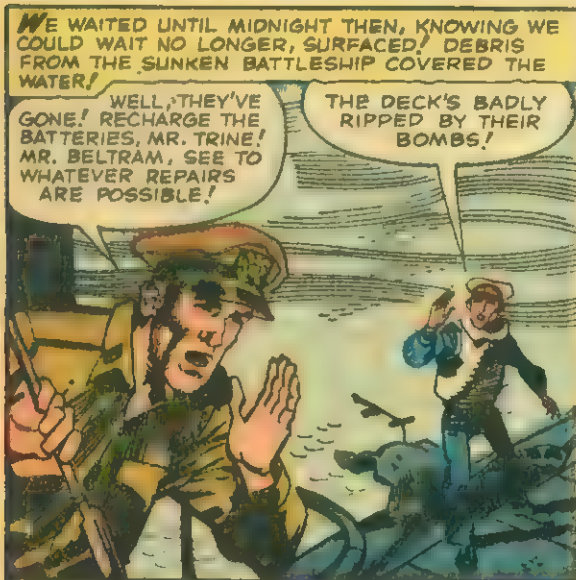




THERE'S ONE THING MORE, GENTLEMEN! YOU KNOW OUR ORDERS WERE TO FIND AND SINK THE NEW JAP SUPER CARRIER! THAT'S WHERE THOSE PLANES MUST HAVE COME FROM! NOW, IN THE CONDITION WE'RE IN, I'M AFRAID WE'RE OUT OF THE HUNT!



AND IT'S VITAL TO OUR GROUND, SEA AND AIR FORCES THAT THE CARRIER BE SUNK! WE'LL HAVE TO MAKE SUCH REPAIRS AS WE CAN AND CRUISE OUT OF JAP RADIO RANGE TO SEND BACK A MESSAGE THAT WE'VE FAILED... ASSUMING WE COME OUT OF THIS MESS AT ALL!



WE WAITED UNTIL MIDNIGHT THEN, KNOWING WE COULD WAIT NO LONGER, SURFACED! DEBRIS FROM THE SUNKEN BATTLESHIP COVERED THE WATER!

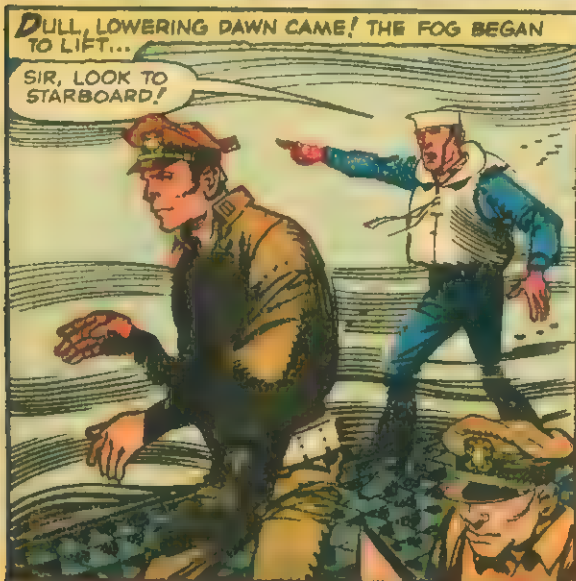
WELL, THEY'VE GONE! RECHARGE THE BATTERIES, MR. TRINE! MR. BELTRAM, SEE TO WHATEVER REPAIRS ARE POSSIBLE!

THE DECK'S BADLY RIPPED BY THEIR BOMBS!



A HEAVY FOG ROLLED IN COVERING OUR ACTIVITY!

I'VE GOT TO GET THESE MEN AND THE SHIP BACK! THEY'RE VITALLY NEEDED!



DULL, LOWERING DAWN CAME! THE FOG BEGAN TO LIFT...

SIR, LOOK TO STARBOARD!



IT'S THE CARRIER... ONE DESTROYER! SHE'S EVIDENTLY ON HER WAY TO PICK UP THE REST OF HER ESCORT!

THEY'VE SIGHTED US! ALL HANDS BELOW ON THE DOUBLE! TAKE HER DOWN!



I RUSHED FORWARD TO THE CONNING TOWER! A KNIFE SEEMED TO SLASH ACROSS MY ANKLE! MY FOOT WAS HELD TIGHTLY IN ONE OF THE SKORPION'S DECK WOUNDS ...HELD AS SECURELY AS THOUGH IT WERE IN A BEAR TRAP!

SKIPPER...
WHAT'S WRONG?
SKIPPER...

GET BELOW, MAKE SECURE
AND SUBMERGE! YOU
HEARD ME!

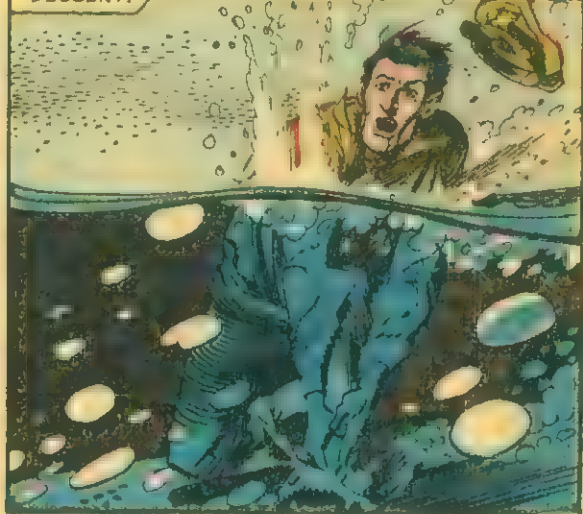


CAN'T LEAVE
YOU ON DECK...

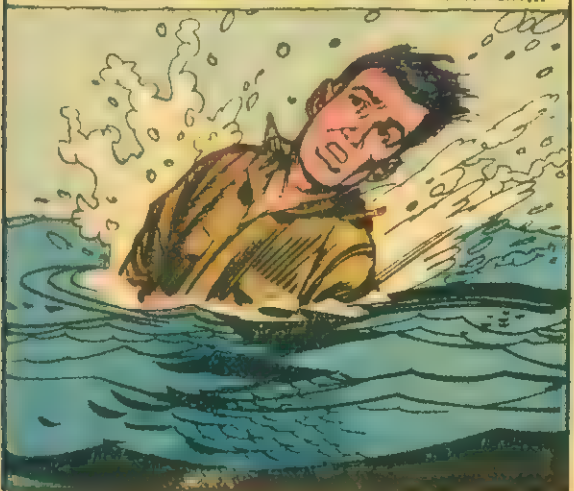
SUBMERGE! THAT'S AN
ORDER! IT'S ONE MAN'S
LIFE AGAINST THE LIVES
OF A WHOLE CREW AND
THE LIFE OF AN IMPORTANT
SHIP! I'M TRAPPED AND
THAT DESTROYER WILL BE
ON US IN A MINUTE! GET
BELOW! I'LL SHOOT THE
FIRST MAN WHO DISOBEYS
MY ORDERS!



I WAS ALONE, TRAPPED ON DECK! THE WATER
BOILED AROUND ME AS THE SHIP BEGAN HER
DESCENT!

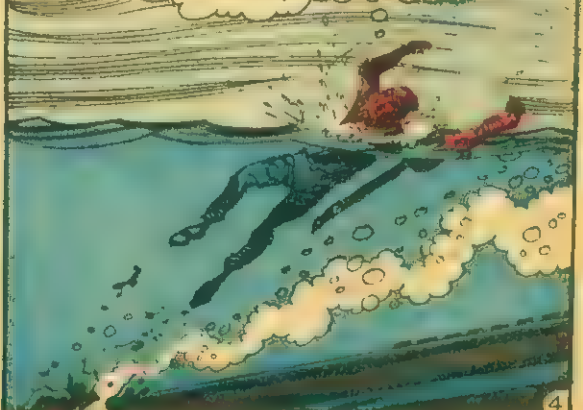


I KEPT TUGGING DESPERATELY AT MY TRAPPED FOOT
AND HAD MY LAST, FRANTIC LOOK AROUND ME AT
THE SEA AND THE SKY, THE SKY THAT, IN A MOMENT
WOULD BE BLOTTED FROM MY SIGHT FOREVER...



THEN, SUDDENLY MY FOOT WAS FREE! I GRABBED
AT A PIECE OF FLOATING DEBRIS, FROM THE
BATTLESHIP WE HAD SUNK... THE SKORPION WAS
OUT OF SIGHT IN THE DEPTHS BELOW!

WHEN THE DESTROYER STARTS LOBBING DOWN
DEPTH BOMBS IT WILL BE ALL UP WITH ME
ANYWAY!



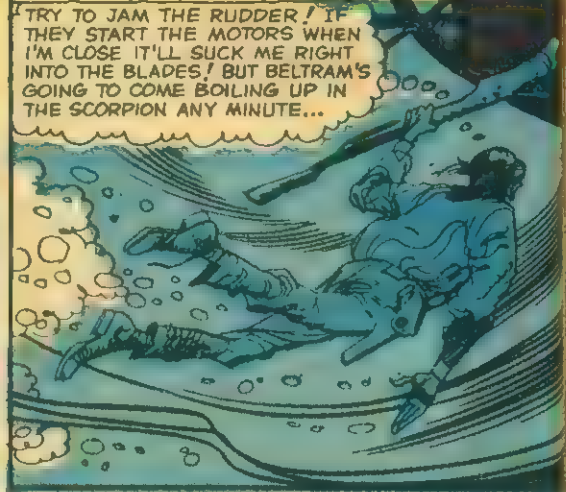
SUDDENLY THE DESTROYER CAME TO A FULL HALT, ITS MOTORS TURNED OFF! THE SEA WAS EERILY QUIET!

THEY'VE CUT THEIR MOTORS TO TRY AND GET A RADAR TRACK ON THE SCORPION! AND I KNOW WHAT BELTRAM'LL DO NOW THAT HE'S IN COMMAND...



I KNEW WHAT I HAD TO TRY AND DO TOO! I DIVED BELOW THE SURFACE AND SWAM TOWARD THE RUDDER OF THE DESTROYER PICKING UP A PIECE OF WRECKAGE EN ROUTE!

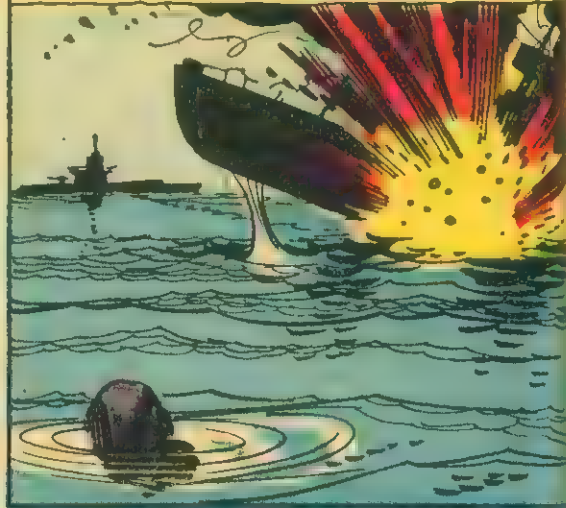
TRY TO JAM THE RUDDER! IF THEY START THE MOTORS WHEN I'M CLOSE IT'LL SUCK ME RIGHT INTO THE BLADES! BUT BELTRAM'S GOING TO COME BOILING UP IN THE SCORPION ANY MINUTE...



WE DID! JUST AS I GOT CLEAR OF THE DESTROYER THE SCORPION'S FIRST TORPEDOES MADE DIRECT HITS ON THE CARRIER!



AND BEFORE THE FRANTIC CREW OF THE DESTROYER COULD FIGURE OUT WHY THEIR SHIP DIDN'T RESPOND TO THE RUDDER...



IT'S THE SKIPPER!



THAT'S THE STORY OF THE CRUISE OF THE SCORPION! WE LIMPED HOME, BADLY MAULED BUT PROUD AND VICTORIOUS! AND I SAT IN THE CABIN AND WROTE IN THE LOG I HAD THOUGHT I'D NEVER SEE AGAIN...



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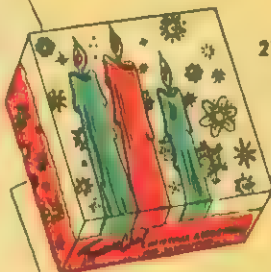
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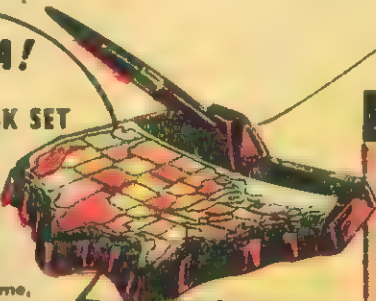
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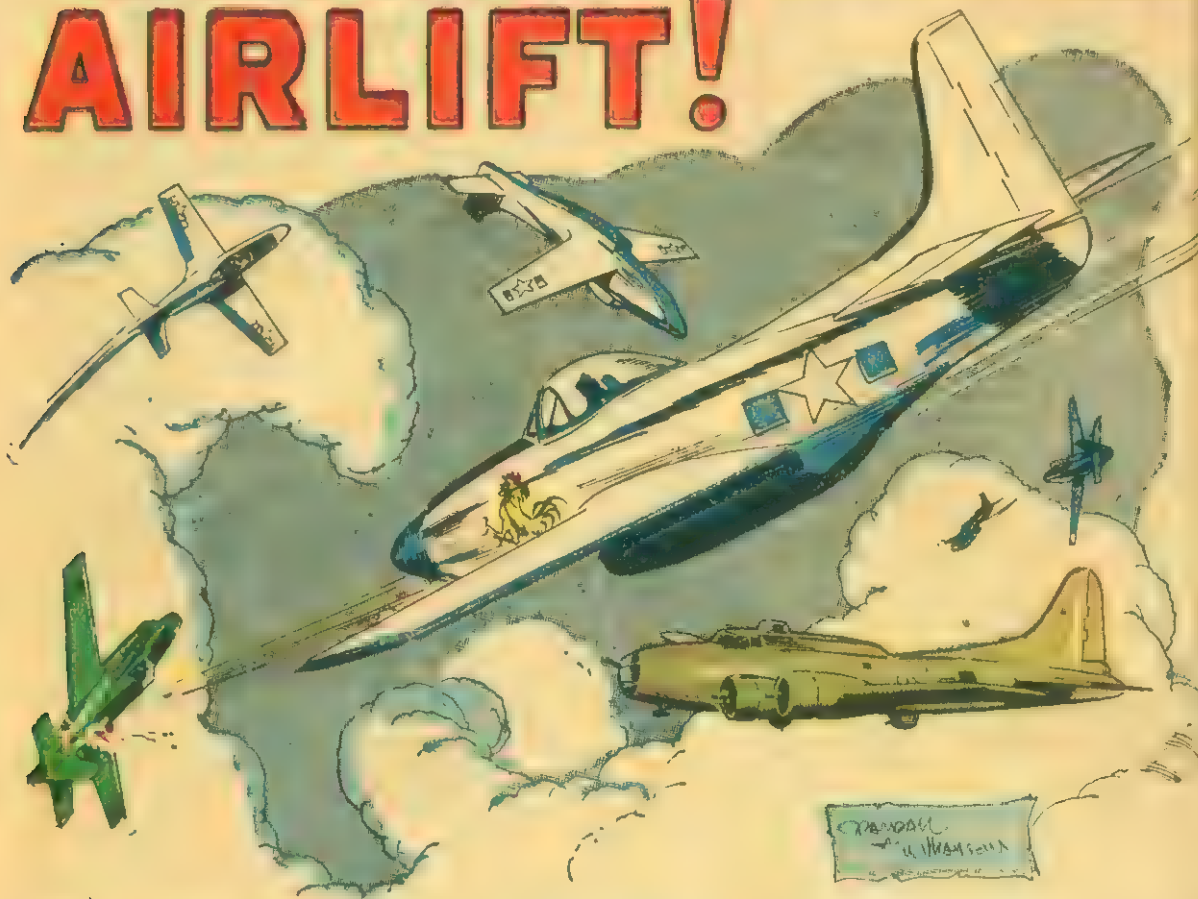
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I FLEW IN THE BERLIN AIRLIFT!

PLANES ARE MY BUSINESS! THE WIDE BLUE YONDER IS HOME TO ME! IN WORLD WAR II I WAS A FIGHTER PILOT AND LATER A BOMBER PILOT! FIGHTING BECAME MY BUSINESS, TOO! THE FIGHTING COCK SYMBOL ON MY PLANE BECAME PRETTY FAMOUS DURING THOSE BLISTERING WAR YEARS! THIS IS THE STORY OF THE WAR AND AFTER THE WAR AS IT HAPPENED TO ME, LIEUTENANT DON ACKLEY, PILOT!



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I TOOK A FIERCE PLEASURE IN THOSE CONQUESTS ABOVE THE CLOUDS, AND PRIDE IN MY RECORD AS A FIGHTING AIRMAN WAS THE CODE I LIVED BY!



NICE GOING, DON! IF YOU KEEP ON AT THIS PACE THERE WON'T BE ANY LEFT UP THERE FOR THE REST OF US!

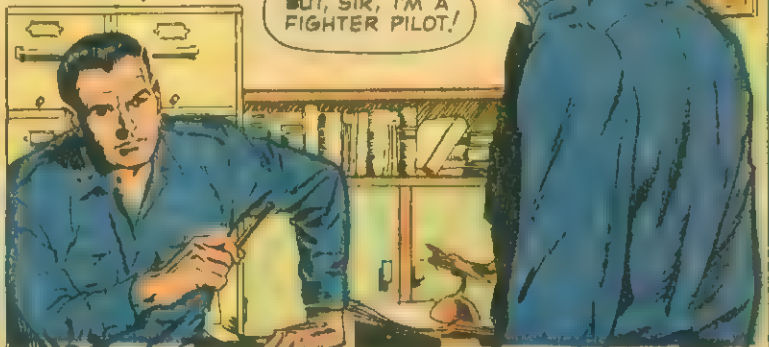
LIEUTENANT ACKLEY PLEASE REPORT TO HEADQUARTERS IMMEDIATELY!

LIEUTENANT ACKLEY REPORTING, SIR!

GOOD SHOW TODAY, LIEUTENANT! AT EASE! I HAVE A NEW ASSIGNMENT FOR YOU!

WE'RE HAVING TROUBLE GETTING ENOUGH COMPETENT PILOTS FOR THE INCREASING NUMBER OF NEW BOMBERS BEING SUPPLIED US! I WANT YOU TO TAKE OVER A BOMBER PILOT ASSIGNMENT!

BUT, SIR, I'M A FIGHTER PILOT!

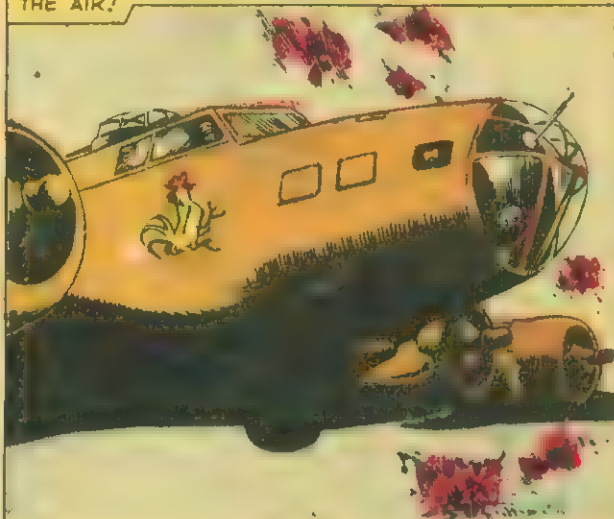


ORDERS ARE ORDERS! I BECAME A BOMBER PILOT! I LIKED IT! THERE WAS PLENTY OF FIGHTING AND, IN THE BOMBERS, WE WERE BRINGING THE WAR TO THE ENEMY!

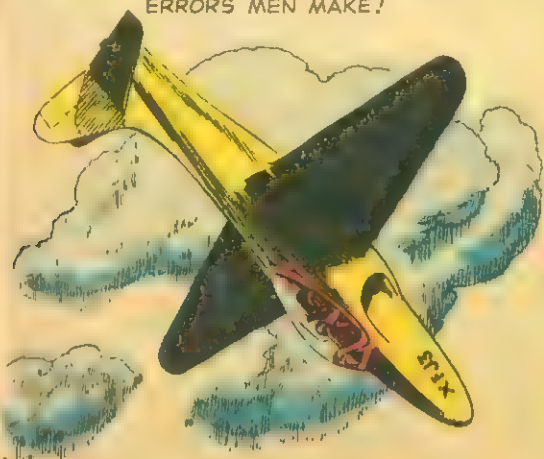
BERLIN, HERE'S SOME HOT EGGS FOR YOU... RIGHT IN YOUR LAPPS!



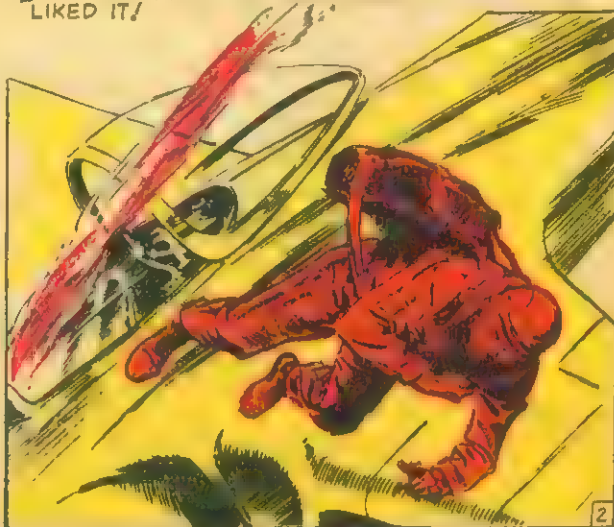
THE FIGHTING COCK EMBLEM BROUGHT PLENTY OF GRIEF TO THE NAZIS! IT SYMBOLIZED MY CREED, A FIGHTING BIRD, HITTING THE ENEMY IN AND FROM THE AIR!



THEN THE WAR WAS OVER! I STAYED IN THE SERVICE AS AN INSTRUCTOR AND TEST PILOT! TESTING WAS LIKE FIGHTING, BUT INSTEAD OF NAZIS, I WAS FIGHTING THE ELEMENTS AND ERRORS MEN MAKE!



IT WAS A RUGGED BUSINESS! THAT'S WHY I LIKED IT!

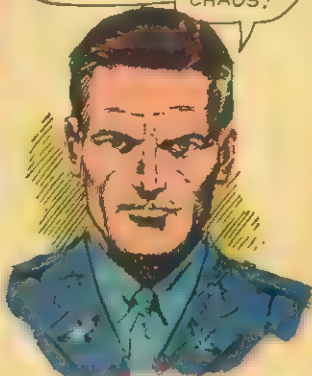


THEN, IN THE SUMMER OF 1948 I WAS CALLED TO H.Q. FOR A NEW ASSIGNMENT!

MEN, WE'VE SELECTED YOU, THE BEST PILOTS WE HAVE IN THE AIR FORCE, FOR A VERY SPECIAL JOB! YOU KNOW THAT BERLIN HAS BEEN DIVIDED INTO TWO ZONES, THE EAST UNDER SOVIET CONTROL, THE WEST UNDER ALLIED CONTROL!



THERE IS LITTLE FOOD, MEDICINE, ESSENTIALS IN BERLIN! THE PEOPLE ARE STARVING! WE HAVE ATTEMPTED TO FORM A WEST BERLIN GOVERNMENT TO HELP BRING ORDER OUT OF CHAOS!



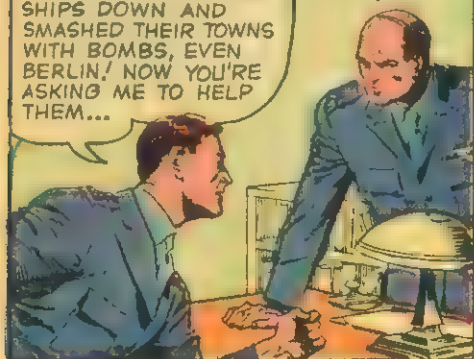
IN AN EFFORT TO PREVENT THIS MOVE THE SOVIET AUTHORITIES HAVE SET UP A BLOCKADE OF WEST BERLIN! WE'VE WON THE WAR BUT, WE MUST WIN THE PEACE AND WE CAN ONLY DO IT BY BREAKING THE BLOCKADE! YOU MEN MUST FLY AN AIRLIFT OF CARGO PLANES TO FEED AND HELP THOSE PEOPLE OF BERLIN!



WE WERE BRIEFED! I DIDN'T LIKE THE WHOLE DEAL! AFTERWARD I WENT TO COLONEL SHANLEY WHOM I KNEW!

SIR, I'M A FIGHTER AND BOMBER PILOT, NOT A BOXCAR PILOT! I'M A FIGHTING MAN, NOT A MISSIONARY! I FOUGHT THE GERMANS, SHOT THEIR SHIPS DOWN AND SMASHED THEIR TOWNS WITH BOMBS, EVEN BERLIN! NOW YOU'RE ASKING ME TO HELP THEM...

I AM, AND YOU WILL! IT'S AN ORDER, ACKLEY!



I WAS ASSIGNED A HUGE CARGO PLANE! SWEENEY, THE MECHANIC I'D HAD DURING THE WAR WAS ASSIGNED TO ME!

HI, LIEUTENANT! BACK TOGETHER AGAIN, LIKE OLD TIMES! I WAS JUST GONNA PAINT THE FIGHTIN' COCK ON THIS BABY!

NICE TO HAVE YOU ABOARD AGAIN, SWEENEY!



BUT IT'S NOT LIKE THE OLD TIMES... AND DON'T PUT THE EMBLEM ON THIS FREIGHT CAR! I WOULDN'T DISGRACE THE OLD FIGHTING COCK BY USING IT FOR THIS PURPOSE AND ON THIS PLANE!



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THE PLANE WAS LOADED WITH FOOD, CLOTHING, MEDICINES! IT WAS SLOW AND CUMBERSOME! I REMEMBER IT WAS HOT THAT DAY WE LANDED AT THE BERLIN AIRSTRIP!



AND THEN I SAW THEM, THE PEOPLE, THE FACES, CHILDREN, WOMEN, OLD FOLKS, THE FACES GAUNT, THE EYES DULL...



AND THEN I SAW THE CHANGE GRADUALLY COME OVER THOSE FACES, THE SPARK OF HOPE WHERE NO HOPE HAD BEEN BEFORE...



THE SMILES, MEAGRE AS THOUGH NOT RECENTLY IN USE, HIT ME DEEP! AND SUDDENLY THESE WERE NOT GERMANS, FORMER ENEMIES, THEY WERE JUST PEOPLE LIKE PEOPLE EVERYWHERE, BUT PEOPLE WITH A GREAT NEED!



FOR ELEVEN MONTHS OUR AIRLIFT OF CARGO PLANES SUPPLIED THE DAILY NEEDS OF MORE THAN TWO MILLION PEOPLE IN WEST BERLIN, A FEAT UNEQUALED IN THE HISTORY OF AIR TRANSPORT!

HEY, SWEENEY, GET OUT THE PAINT, WHEN I COME BACK FROM THIS TRIP I'LL HAVE A JOB FOR YOU TO DO!



WE BROKE THE BACK OF THE SOVIET BLOCKADE! IN MAY, 1949 IT ENDED!

Y'KNOW, SWEENEY, I'VE LEARNED THAT THERE'S MORE THAN ONE WAY TO FIGHT! THE AIRLIFT IS OVER NOW AND I'M PROUD TO HAVE BEEN A PART OF IT!

AMEN, SIR!



I WAS A RECRUIT UNDER FIRE!

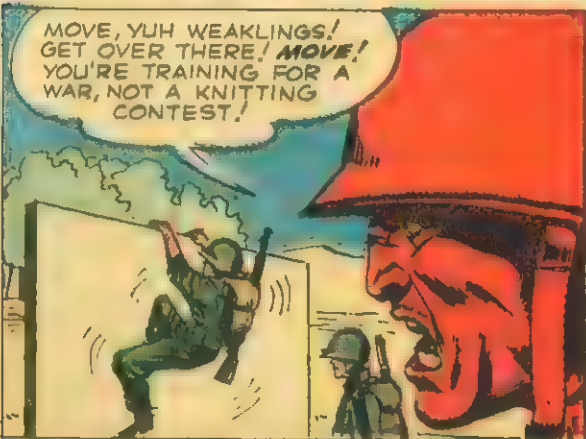
WHAT ARE YUH, A BUNCH OF OLD LADIES? PICK UP YOUR FEET, BURROWS, MOVE... MOVE!

I...I'D LIKE TO WALLOP THAT GUY... IF I HAD THE ENERGY AFTER HE GETS THROUGH WITH US EVERY DAY!



THEY CALLED IT A COLD WAR AT FIRST, ON SOME FAR AWAY ISLAND CALLED KOREA, A PLACE MOST OF US HAD NEVER HEARD OF BEFORE! THEN IT BECAME A SHOOTING WAR AND I WAS DRAFTED AND SENT TO TRAINING CAMP! TRAINING CAMP? IT WAS MORE LIKE TORTURE TO YOUNG CLERKS, SCHOOLBOYS, WHITE COLLAR MEN WHO'D HAD LITTLE SUSTAINED PHYSICAL LABOR AS CIVILIANS... AND SERGEANT MOSEBY WAS THE SYMBOL OF OUR HATRED!

MOVE, YUH WEAKLINGS! GET OVER THERE! **MOVE!** YOU'RE TRAINING FOR A WAR, NOT A KNITTING CONTEST!



DAY AFTER DAY, HOUR AFTER HOUR IT WENT ON, TO THE POINT OF DAILY EXHAUSTION!

WON'T HAVE MUCH TIME TO GET CLEANED UP BEFORE MESS CALL!

I'M TOO TIRED TO EVEN EAT!



THERE NEVER SEEMED TO BE ENOUGH OF THE NIGHT TO SLEEP IN!

RISE AN' SHINE! C'MON, GET THE LEAD OUT! REPORT TO TARGET RANGE!

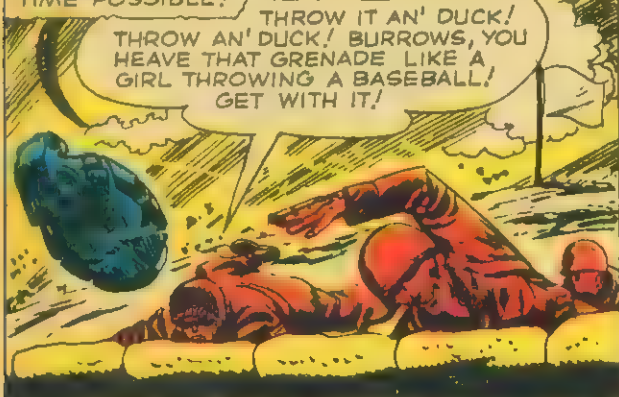


YOU'RE GONNA TAKE THESE MACHINE GUNS AN' THE RIFLES APART AN' REASSEMBLE THEM AGAIN AND AGAIN UNTIL YOU CAN DO IT TO ANY GUN EVER MADE!



THERE WAS NO REST! MEN WERE NEEDED IN KOREA IN A HURRY AND OUR TRAINING MUST BE COMPRESSED INTO THE SHORTEST TIME POSSIBLE!

THROW IT AN' DUCK! THROW AN' DUCK! BURROWS, YOU HEAVE THAT GRENADE LIKE A GIRL THROWING A BASEBALL! GET WITH IT!



EVEN THE WAR CAN'T BE AS BAD AS THIS!

NOTHING COULD BE!



KEEP YOUR HEADS DOWN OR YOU'LL GET THEM BLOWN OFF! THAT'S LIVE AMMO! GET THOSE HEADS DOWN!



YOU'RE A SORRY LOOKIN' BUNCH! SOLDIERS? HA, WHAT A LAUGH! BUT I'LL TUGHEN YUH, I'LL MAKE SOLDIERS OUT OF YUH OR I'LL BREAK YUH!



HE'S THE MOST MISERABLE PERSON I'VE EVER KNOWN IN MY LIFE! AND BELIEVE ME, I'VE NEVER BEEN SO MISERABLE MYSELF AS I HAVE SINCE I FIRST LAID EYES ON HIM!

YES, HE WAS TOUGH, SGT. MOSEBY, ALMOST TOO TOUGH TO BE REAL! HE DROVE US TO THE POINT OF EXHAUSTION AND BEYOND AND WE ALL HATED HIM WITH A LIVE AND BURNING HATE!

THEY SAY THEY CAN'T WAIT, THEY NEED MEN! YOU'RE NOT MEN BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO DO! CLEAN UP...FULL BATTLE EQUIPMENT, YOU MOVE OUT TOMORROW! GOOD LUCK! YOU PUNKS'LL NEED IT!

IN A GREY, FOGGY DAWN WE BOARDED THE CONVOY!

I WONDER IF WE'RE GOING STRAIGHT TO KOREA?

I DON'T CARE WHERE WE GO AS LONG AS WE GET AWAY FROM THAT SLAVE-DRIVING SERGEANT!

ON THE SHIP WE HAD A CHANCE TO RELAX AND REST! FUNNY THING, I'D NEVER FELT BETTER IN MY LIFE!

Y'KNOW, I'VE GAINED TEN POUNDS!

NO WONDER, WE EAT LIKE HORSES AND FEEL LIKE SUPER-MEN!

WE HIT THE BEACH ON KOREA UNDER TERRIFIC ENEMY FIRE!

IT WAS THE FIRST TIME WE'D BEEN UNDER ENEMY FIRE! THIS WAS THE REAL THING AND, LET'S NOT KID OURSELVES, WE WERE SCARED!

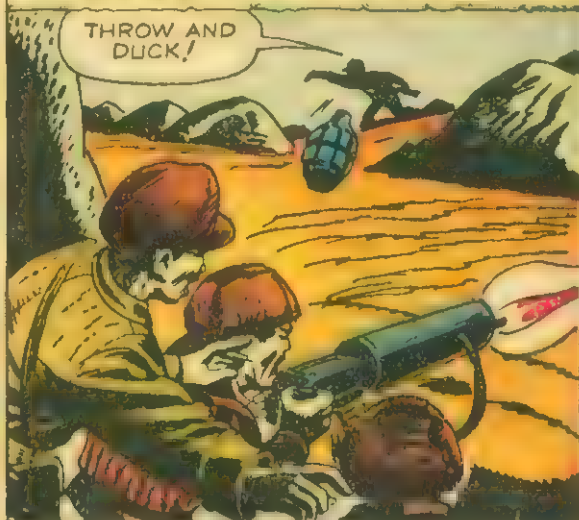
THAT WAS RUGGED! BUT WE MADE IT!

WOULDN'T HAVE IF WE'D BEEN GREEN! WE DID THE RIGHT THINGS AUTOMATICALLY!

WE ADVANCED! THE TERRAIN WAS BRUTAL, THE SUN BOILING, IF WE HADN'T BEEN IN SUPERB SHAPE WE WOULD HAVE DROPPED!



A BIG BATTLE SHAPED UP! OUR PLATOON MOVED INTO ENEMY MACHINE GUN FIRE!



WE ADVANCED TO THE BLASTED M.G. NEST! REDS BEGAN POURING DOWN ON US! I TURNED THEIR OWN MACHINE GUN ON THEM... OH, YES, I KNEW HOW TO USE IT... I REMEMBERED MY TRAINING!

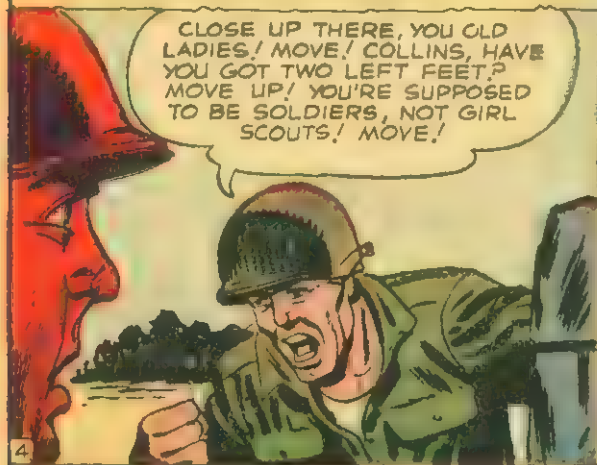


I WAS SLIGHTLY WOUNDED AND WAS ADVANCED TO THE RANK OF SERGEANT! I WAS SENT BACK HOME WITH A CITATION FOR MY PART IN THE BATTLE!

THE WAY SERGEANT MOSEBY DROVE US TOUGHENED US! HE TAUGHT US HOW TO FIGHT, WHAT TO DO TO SURVIVE AND WIN! I REALIZE NOW THAT HE HAD TO BE TOUGH OR WE WOULDN'T HAVE SURVIVED!



MORE MEN WERE STILL NEEDED FOR VICTORY! BACK IN THE STATES I WAS SENT TO A TRAINING CAMP AS... YOU GUESSED IT! A TRAINING INSTRUCTOR!



Toughest Sarge I ever saw! What's he tryin' to prove?

I DON'T KNOW! ALL I KNOW IS I NEVER THOUGHT I COULD HATE A GUY LIKE I HATE HIM!

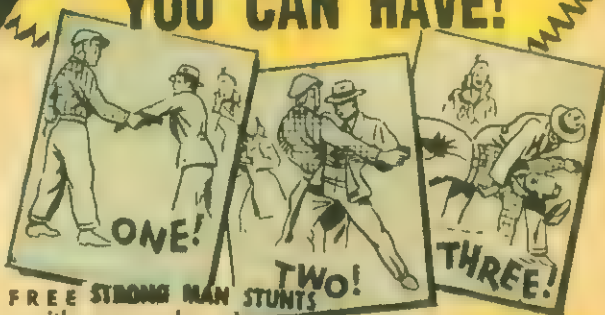


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his head. In a few moments, they were sauntering past stores and coffee shops, silent as the people around them. Suddenly, Keys raised his head sharply and stood as if listening keenly. His eyes surveyed the street.

"Start talking about cats!" he whispered hoarsely to Joe.

"Cats?" Joe asked, startled. "Why cats?"

His eye on an old man dressed in leather shorts and halter and an alpine hat, Keys abruptly began whining. "Ach, Josef! To have lost one's own home and be driven off by these barbarians is bad enough, but to have lost a prize cat! Ach, it is too much to be borne!"

The old man's head jerked around. He was carrying a canvas bag, filled with bread. Coming up to Keys, he said, "Cats? You have lost your cat in the war? How sad. I, too, am a lover of cats!" He gazed around cautiously. "And your friend? He loves cats?"

"Just love 'em," Joe said. "Just love 'em!"

"You are, perhaps, members of the Society for the Defense of the Cat?" the old man asked in a low whisper. "One cannot speak of such things safely with the Americans here, but . . ."

"We're both charter members," Keys said.

"Then you must come with me," said the old man. "I have many, many cats. Up in the castle they wait for me! I will show them to you!"

He turned and led them to the outskirts of the town. Behind, Joe whispered to Keys. "Where are we going?"

"To the castle. This old guy is the Count of Heiligbrenstein! I figured it was him from the way everybody in the street treated him with respect. Also, from his dossier, I knew, he's crazy about cats. The Nazis up in the castle have sent him down for bread. He'll lead us to the

hidden entrance!"

"But what about that bunk about a Cat Society?"

"It's no bunk! There is . . . or was . . . such a Society!"

They walked past the American tanks guarding the approach to the castle, gazed up at the drawbridge that needed lowering before the tanks could roll across. Circling the mountain, the Count brought them to a cleft in the rocks. Displacing a tarpaulin, he uncovered a door. It opened and crashed closed behind them. Keys tried it in the darkness. It was locked shut. There was no way out but



up, now. They walked up innumerable steps, came to another door. The Count opened it. It gave out on the drawbridge tower. But quickly he drew back. "Into those suits of armor!" he whispered. "They open at the back. I will have to hide you, until the Nazi officers go to sleep. Wait until I come back. Now I will go to give them their bread!"

Inside the suit of black, medieval armor, Keys and Joe let themselves be strapped in. They could move only their arms. Then, as the Count left with a whispered warning to be quiet, Keys let out a gasp of surprise. "Joe . . . that rope . . . it controls the drawbridge rat-

chet!" Slowly, he managed to draw the sword from the scabbard at his hip, raised it and then brought it down on the taut rope. With an audible sound, it snapped. The rattle of gears and chains sounded as the ratchet revolved. Then, from outside, came the crash of the drawbridge falling into place. Simultaneously came screams and shouts as the American tanks, at the base of the steep crag, started up. A few moments more and they were pouring through the drawbridge gap, driving a helpless group of Nazis before them.

Keys Chadwick gazed sadly through the armored visor as the old Count was led away, followed by his pet cats. "They won't harm him," he said in a low voice to Joe. "But the Nazis will go on trial!" He twisted in his armor. "We'll have to wait until they get near here and let us out. This armor's bolted down to the base!"

A moment later, a jeep let Colonel Horbaugh and two majors off at the drawbridge gate. They heard him chortling. "Well, we snared Grinnler. I can't imagine what happened to open the drawbridge, but at least I'll have the laugh on Chadwick. None of his foolish ideas cracked this wedding-cake castle!" He came rapidly up past the suits of armor, paused and peered at them closely. "Real antiques," he muttered. "Fine old German art. At least the Nazis didn't steal this!"

With a crash, Keys Chadwick and Joe Keller let their visor plates fall. With a grin, Keys saluted. "Thought you could see right through me like a piece of glass, Colonel!" Then his voice grew brisk. "Pleased to turn over Castle Heiligbrenstein to the proper Allied authority. And Colonel, would you mind getting us out of these Teutonic sardine tins?"

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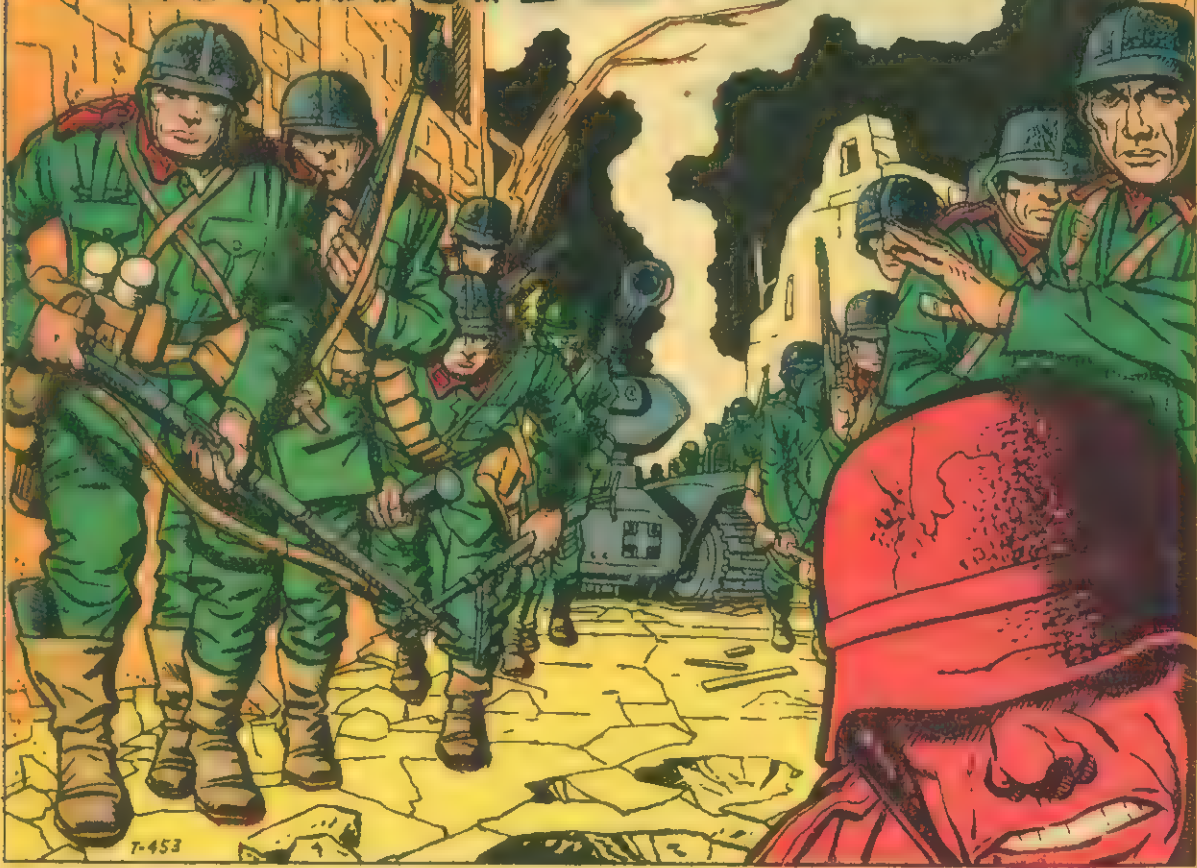
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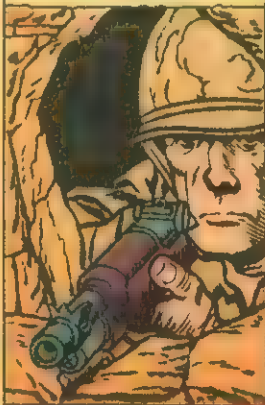


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AMONG THOSE WAITING
 FOR THEM IN THE SILENT
 RUINS, WAS THE MACHINE
 GUNNER--HE'D BEEN
 THROUGH THIS BEFORE...



THERE WAS THE
 DEAD-PAN TEXAS
 CORPORAL--HE'D
 BEEN THROUGH
 EIGHT COUNTER
 ATTACKS...



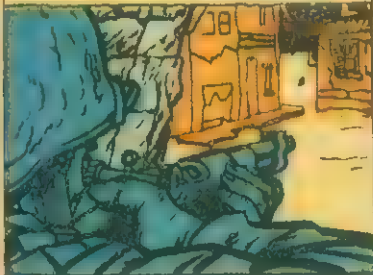
THE FIRST SERGEANT
 DIDN'T BAT AN EYE...
 HE'D BEEN THROUGH
 THEM ALL...



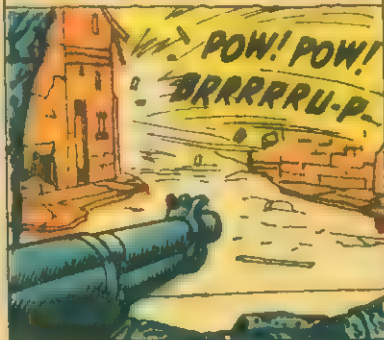
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 REPLACEMENT,
 THE ONE WHO
 STARED WIDE-
 EYED ACROSS
 HIS GUNSIGHTS--
 HE JUST **WAITED**
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 SILENT PRAYER!



THE REPLACEMENT HAS ONLY BEEN ON THE LINE A FEW HOURS... HE'S LISTENED TO THE OLD MEN TALK... HE'S LEARNED ABOUT THE ENEMY-- ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCE-- AND WHAT IT TOOK TO PUSH THEM FROM THIS PART OF TOWN-- WHY THEY NEEDED TRUCKLOADS OF NEW MEN TO FILL IN THE EMPTY PLACES IN THIS BATTERED OUTFIT!



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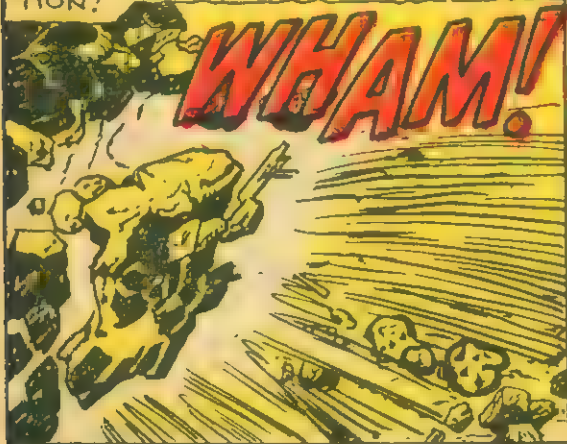
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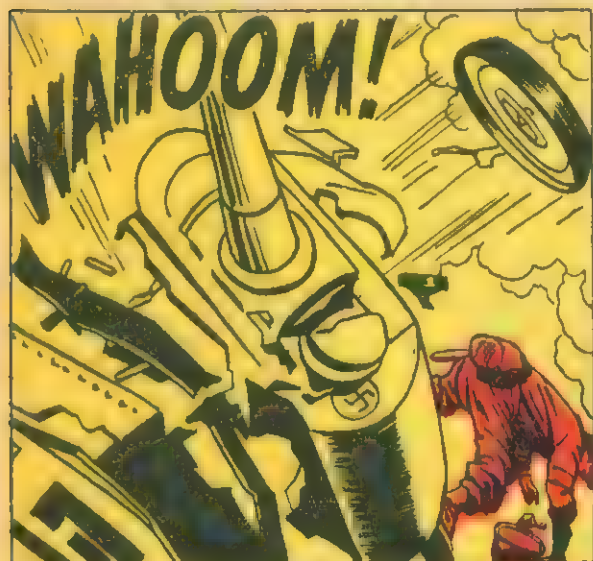
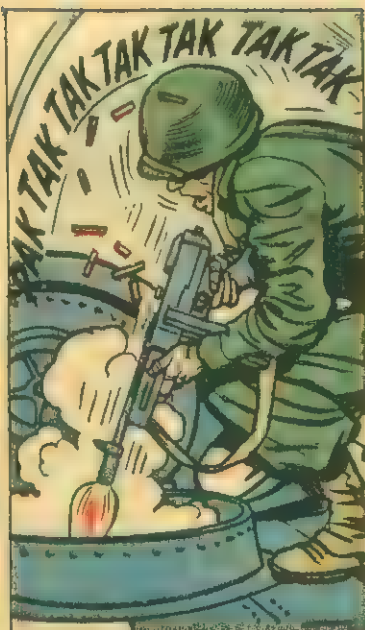
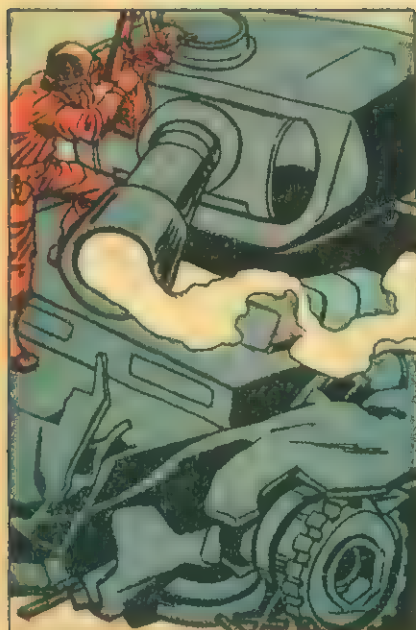


HE FIRES WITH CAT-LIKE SWIFTNES--WITH ACCURACY--A GERMAN SPINS, WOUNDED!



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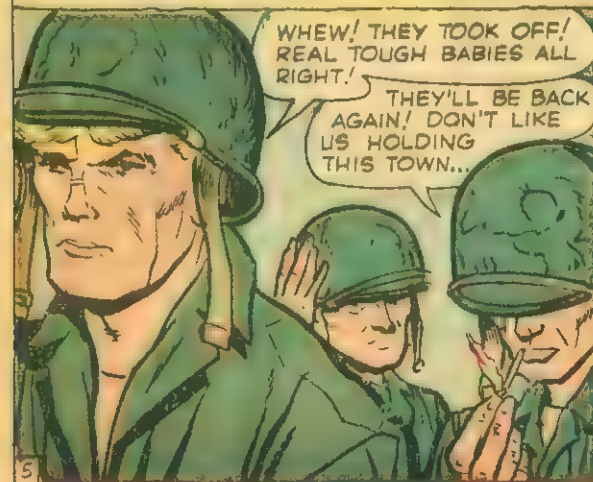




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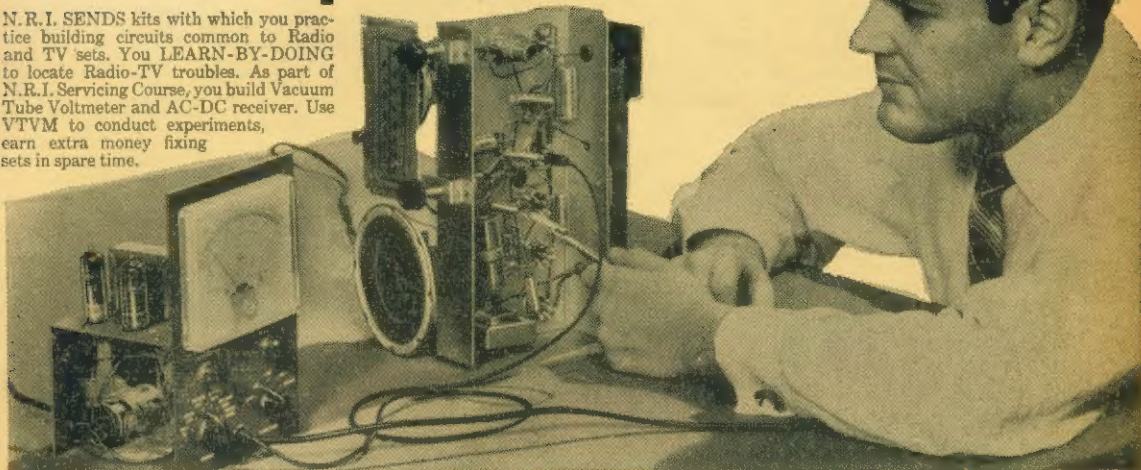
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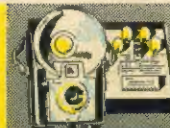
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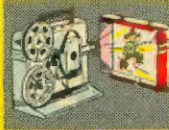
CORSAIR PLANE



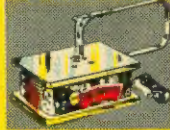
STAR FLASH CAMERA



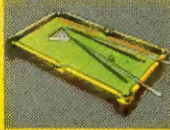
6 VOL. ENCYCLOPEDIA



MOVIE PROJECTOR



ELECTRIC JIG SAW



POOL TABLE SET



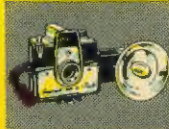
BIG 3 HUNTING SET



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